Free travel in Green Lines Services

3979. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Green Line Services were introduced to provide comfort and fast journeys to commuters of Delhi;

(b) whether it is also a fact that certain categories of people viz staff of D.T.C., Policemen and Home Guards have been permitted to travel without any payment or Pass;

(c) whether such facility is causing inconvenience and annoyance to the commuters of 'Green Line Services;

(d) if so, whether Government propose to allow General Pass holders to travel in Green Line Buses; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons for permitting such free travel to the above category of people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No. Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Tax on Tata Estate Cars

3980. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of 'Tata Estate' cars registered in Delhi during the last three years;

(b) what is the quantum of Tax collected annually from such registration; and

(c) whether Government propose to reduce the tax on these cars?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) 39.

(b) One time lumpsum road tax of Rs. 2875/- per vehicle is charged at the time of registration.

(c) No, Sir.

Promotion of Export-Import Park

3981. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Visakhapatnam Port Trust has any plan to promote an Export-Import Park for allotment to Port-based industries; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) Visakhapatnam Port Trust (VPT) has identified about 800 acres of land for leasing to Port based industries to promote exports and imports. VPT will entertain requests for lease of plots of about 10 acres and less to industries engaged in export/import provided they meet certain conditions like minimum guarantee of cargo etc.

Affairs of Dredging Corporation of India

3982. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be leased to state:

(a) the number of dredgers and other machinery available with dredging corporation of India;

(b) the number of those which are in working condition;

(c) what is their total value and what is the volume of work turned out by these annually; and

(d) what are its accumulated losses itemwise?